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Brother Gervais Prepares to Lead Christmas Trip to Quebec

With the arrival of Christmas week 85 Loughlinites will embark upon the annual Quebec trip. The outing, which has been organized by Brother Gervais, will encompass six days, with the bus leaving Loughlin Saturday, December 26, at 8:45 a.m. and returning Thursday, December 31, at 6:30 p.m. Open to all students, the trip has received the approval and encouragement of Brother Stephen, the Principal.

To Cover 1,500 Miles

During the excursion, which will cover 1,500 miles, the party will stop in hotels at Montreal and Quebec in Canada, and at Waterville, Maine. Also included in the $55 fare will be lodging, meals, and insurance for the duration of the trip.

The tour will also offer its participants numerous opportunities to enjoy winter sports. In Quebec, students will enjoy swimming in an Olympic-sized pool every day. Other indoor sports include bowling and the use of a nearby gym. Among the winter sports offered will be skiing, ice skating and sliding at night near the Chateau Frontenac.

Socially, the travelers will attend a maple sugar party in Quebec and a dance party with the students of Marymount College.

A Tour of Quebec

Sightseeing will provide a major part of the trip. At Quebec the party will visit a newspaper printing shop where they will have their picture taken. It will appear in the local paper the following day. While touring old French Quebec, the party will stop in some of the town's finest restaurants as well as the sanctuary of Ste. Anne de Beaupre.

As a special treat, the travelers will sample the wares of the Vachon Bakery at St. Marie de Beauce, reputed to be the finest bakery in the East.

"AU REVOIR," bid five Loughlinites who believe in early starts.

Photography Club Participates In National Contest

Acting under the direction of Brother Charles Felix, the Photography Club will enter the 1965 Scholastic Photography Awards competition at the end of the year.

The club will submit a portfolio of its work, consisting of photographs of general activities around the school. In the past the club has been awarded "Honorable Mention."

The contest is sponsored by *Scholastic Magazines* and the Eastman Kodak Company and has been approved by the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

Representing the Photography Club will be pictures by Fred Meltzer of 116, John DePasquale, and Michael Perillo, both of 312.

Loughlinite Merits First Place Rating By C.S.P.A.

Repeating its 1963 performance, *The Loughlinite* receive a first place rating by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association at its annual press conference. The yearbook, which is moderated by Brother Christian, was informed of the results late in October.

Receives 952 Credits

School yearbooks and newspapers from throughout the nation were submitted to the Columbia Scholastic Press Association for rating and criticism in its specific classification. Judging criteria for scholastic yearbooks included Layout-215 credits, Plan-80 credits; Content-435 credits; Photography-120 credits; Paper Stock-15 credits; General Considerations-80 credits.

Each yearbook was compared with others in its own particular classification and was rated according to its relative standings with reference to the other entries in its class. Necessary for a first place rating was a score of 850 out of a possible 1000 credits. The 1964 yearbook attained 952 credits, which marked an increase of 19 over the previous year. A rating of Medalist was awarded to first place yearbooks of outstanding quality.

Loughlin To Greet Santa At Christmas Show Today

Heralding the arrival of the Christmas season will be a traditional assembly, this afternoon, December 23, in the school auditorium. Under the auspices of Brother Frederic and Christmas Show Chairman Bob Gigante of 105, the program will be presented for the entire student body. Featured in the forty-five minute program will be popular Christmas music and a series of humorous skits presented by the Senior Class.

DISCUSSING PLANS for the Christmas Show are Mike Matrone, Mike McEnerney, Brother Frederick and Bob Gigante.

Brother Lewis Reads Gospel

After an introduction from Master of Ceremonies Scott Anderson of 108, the exercises will commence with the reading of the Christmas Gospel of St. Luke by Brother Lewis. Following his recital, Brother Richard will head the jazz band in several seasonal tunes. Among the selections the eleven piece group will perform are, "Sentimental Journey" and "The Christmas Song."

Providing a change of pace will be John Peters of 108, who will attempt to dazzle the audience with an original magic act. Following this amateur prestidigitator, will be a comedy act featuring the talents of seniors Andy Jacob of 116 and Joe Gennaro of 108. In presenting their performance, they will place a special emphasis on Christmas.

Five Plus One Perform

As a special feature, senior rock 'n' roll combo, the Five Plus One, consisting of Pete LaRosa of 116, Shawn Cannon of 105, Mike Romano, Bob Venezia and Andy Kiefhaber of 125 will sing several melodies. Heading the sextet is Billy J. Caputo of 114, who also fills the role of lead singer. The group will harmonize on three tunes including, "Boys," "Don't Let The Sun Catch You Crying," and "It's All Over Now."

Santa Claus Appears

Highlighting the proceedings will be the appearance of Santa Claus. After a traditional greeting, he will read out a list of gifts that he has prepared for the faculty.

Among the other entertainment offerings will be a music recital by the orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Consoli. From its repertoire of songs, the orchestra will play, "Rudolf the Red-Nosed Reindeer," and "The Christmas March."

Faculty Expresses Gratitude To Students

LaSalle Prom Draws Over 100 Couples

Over 100 couples attended the La Salle Club Thanksgiving Promenade, which was conducted Friday, November 27. Under the moderation of Brothers Frederic and Joseph, the evening dance took place in the school cafeteria from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.

Assisting in the organization of the informal affair was Mike Bradbury, the Chairman of the La Salle Prom Committee. While the decoration of the cafeteria was under the direction of Bob Gigante of 105, Pete Ciaccia of 106 served as Ticket Chairman and John Buckley of 105 filled the post of Refreshment Chairman. A committee of Juniors headed by Ray Smith of 316, served as waiters at the dance.

A Queen Is Chosen

Dance music was provided by The Protons, a five man rock' n' roll combo. During the proceedings Brother Charles Felix and the photography staff were on hand to take pictures of those who desired them. The highlight of the evening occured with the crowning of a Prom Queen.

Attendance at the prom was open to the entire school. While La Salle Club Officers and Governers were admitted free, members were charged one dollar. Admission for all others was priced at two dollars.

Expresses Appreciation

The purpose of the La Salle Prom, which is in its tenth year of existence, is, as Brother Frederic put it, ". . . an opportunity for the Brothers to say thanks to the students who contributed so much by their efforts and financial help to the education of our student Brothers."

SITTING ONE OUT at LaSalle Prom are Loughlinites Bruce Kahl, Edward Hanley, Joe Costa, Fred Meltzer and their dates. The informal dance was a result of the joint efforts of a Senior-Junior Committee.

A Thought For Christmas

Christmas 1964!

In this year of scientific advance, of material prosperity, of violence and loose morals, we recall the Birthday of the Christ—the Savior of Mankind. We see Him lying in a manger, and we—in this great year of 1964—are asked to accept a teaching of the Church which tells us that He is God. This is the One in whom we must put complete faith that He has all the answers to the problems of life and to the eternal salvation of our souls. It is His doctrine which tells us to be humble, to deny ourselves, to consider others as our brothers—our equals. All His teachings go contrary to everything our senses tell us is good in this year 1964. If we care to be members of His Mystical Body—the Church —we must "buy" what He is "selling" us through His Church.

How does one make this choice in favor of the Christ Child? The answer is Faith—the virtue of Faith. "Blessed are you who have believed —because flesh and blood have not revealed it," said Christ. That's it! Very simple! With the Faith, Christ counts. Without the Faith, the world and all things found in the world in 1964 count.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF CHRIST IN THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON OF 1964?

Brother Stephen, F.S.C.

Student Court . . . Justice or Farce?

"Rules are made to be broken!" Cries like this one have come from underclassmen before. But never before have they been taken so seriously. Barely a day passes when a student councilor isn't berated with profane language or disregarded completely. Several councilors have voiced complaints about students who have threatened, "I'm gonna get my boys, and we're gonna get you!" One councilor was even provoked into a fight when a sophomore got peeved on being pulled out of line.

Granted, these incidents are the work of a small minority of the student body, this is, nonetheless, a significant part. Constant abuse of the councilors and their authority can only lead to a graver situation.

Why are these incidents on the rise? Why do they continue? Surely it is not because of any breakdowns of discipline in the classroom. Any student can vouch for the strictness with which most teachers maintain discipline. Surely there has been no relaxation of the rules; in fact, many of them have become more stringent. Surely it is not because of the councilor's reluctance to issue a summons — when he can get one.

No, the answer doesn't lie in the apprehension of offenders; it lies in their conviction by the Student Court.

Ever present is the flagrant abuse of taking away summonses. Most often, councilors themselves are responsible for this. Is it not reasonable to wonder how an offender is to be brought to justice if his case never appears in court? Recently at the first lunch period, the teacher in charge ordered a student councilor to issue six summonses. As yet they haven't appeared in court. If a student can get away with insubordination once or twice, why worry about it in the future?

But once he gets to court, does the offender get a fair trial? Fair?! Why most guilty offenders get off with four hundred words or less. This is the result of the Court's new system of fair trials and fair punishments. What the Justices fail to realize is that the Student Constitution calls for a *MINIMUM* of five hundred words for a *FIRST* offense, while second and third offenses call for seven hundred and one thousand word minimums, respectively. If a Justice doesn't know the law, what can be accomplished?

Recently a Justice was observed to be letting an offender go free because "he doesn't look guilty." No one can deny the integrity of the Justices, but no one can call them infallible.

The situation has gone from bad to worse. Offenders waiting to be arraigned in court can be observed nonchalantly chatting with their companions. In failing to maintain order, the Court again violates the Constitution. Besides, only offenders and councilors are allowed to be present in court.

We, the editors of the *Jamesonian*, wish to suggest a three-point program which we believe can loosen a rather tight situation.

1. Give each councilor a summons book and teach each councilor and student to respect it.
2. Perhaps the Dean of Discipline or the Assistant Principal should make more visits to the court to watch the proceedings and see that all is in order.
3. Each Justice should acquaint himself with the Student Constitution and the Student Court rules.

We urge Justices, councilors and teachers to crack down on offenders and show them that there is still a place for discipline at Loughlin.

A Needed Improvement

In these days when so many administrative reforms seem to be made with no regard to the welfare of the student, it is encouraging to see a new change which has such an obvious beneficial effect on the Loughlinite.

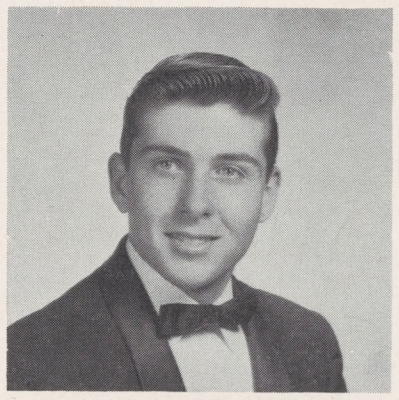
The innovation of which we speak is the changing of Room 119 into the guidance office. The main credit for this change belongs to our principal, Brother Basil Stephen. When he saw four years ago that the guidance office, then in room 207, needed to be near the student records in the principal's office, he offered half his own office to be used for guidance purposes. When it was seen last year how crowded things became there, the principal again offered Brother Raphael, the senior guidance director, improved space. For this reason 119 was converted to the guidance office, and equipped with a separate set of records. The resulting ease of communication has been noted by the seniors in need of guidance. both in their efforts to gain admittance to college, and for other private reasons.

We of *The Jamesonian*, in the name of the student body, would like to take the opportunity to express our appreciation to the administration, especially Brother Stephen.

PERSONALITIES

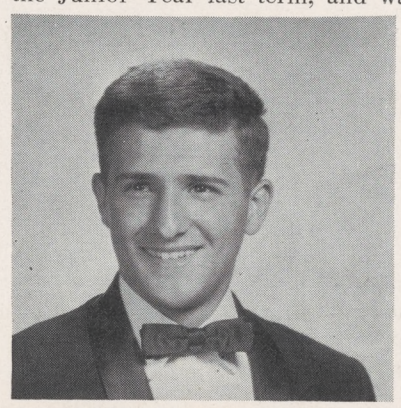
A. Amodeo

Heading our list of important Loughlinities for this issue is Michael Bradbury of 314. Mike was chairman of this year's LaSalle Prom, and has been on the Election Dance Committee, the Afternoon Dance Committee, and the Junior Prom Committee. Besides singlehandedly holding together Loughlin's social activities, he is on the LaSalle Club and has a creative writing certificate for his work which appeared last year in the Quarterly. Back home at Good Shepherd Parish in Brooklyn, he is the treasurer of a local teen club and an umpire in the parish twilight baseball league. Mike was the head campaign manager of the White Party during the past Senior Elections, where he organized rallies in the cafeteria, and was responsible for much of the work which gave so many votes to White . . . which is as good a way as any to lead into our next personage.



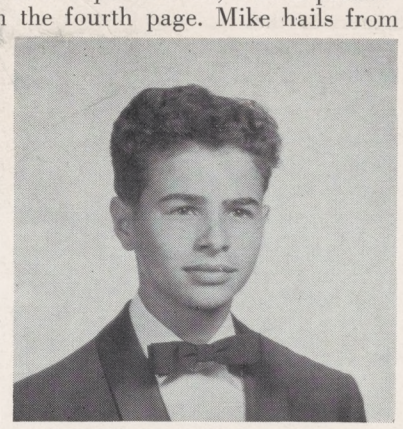
MICHAEL BRADBURY

Our second personality is 108's own "Golden Boy," Paul Vecchione, of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Greenpoint. Paul was the president of the Junior Year last term, and was the presidential candidate for the White Party this semester. Although losing this past election, Paul has been a class officer in each of his four years, a president in the past three. He likes playing basketball, having been on the J.V. during his sophomore year, and he still plays it in C.Y.O., where he also coaches a Tyro team. Paul likes baseball, football, and swimming almost as much as basketball. When not playing ball, he likes to spend his spare time listening to music, classical being his favorite type.



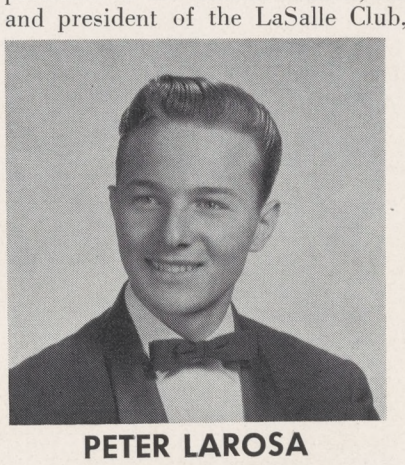
PAUL VECCHIONE

Gracing the center of our feature page, we find Michael Tesoriere, the illustrious Associate New Editor of this publication, who is primarily responsible for all the errors on the fourth page. Mike hails from Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament Parish in Bayside, where he is a member of the Junior Holy Name, and "Youth In Action." At school, he participates in the Math Team, the Afternoon Dance Committee, and was in the La Salle Club for two years. His academic achievements include five gold "L's" and membership in the Leo Honor Society. Mike plans to attend Manhattan College, where he will study electrical engineering.



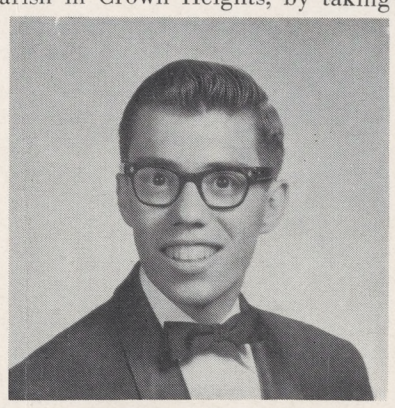
MICHAEL TESORIERE

Next we present the presidential candidate of the successful gold party, Peter J. LaRosa. Besides being president of the school and thus, president of the student council, Pete is also president of the orchestra and president of the LaSalle Club, this last being a post which he's held for the past four years. When not running with the track team or working for the organizations of which he is president, Pete enjoys studying bass and piano, oil painting, concerts, operas and sports. After graduation, Pete plans to attend the Julliard School of Music, and thence go on to be an operatic singer. He is already well on his way, having sung solo at three spring concerts and Christmas shows, and presently studying voice under a Metropolitan artist and bass under a Philharmonic artist.



PETER LAROSA

Last, but definitely not the shortest, is Robert Johnson, the 6'3" Associate Feature Editor of this paper. Robert comes to Loughlin each day from Saint Francis of Assisi Parish in Crown Heights, by taking the Flatbush Avenue bus, and then taking the Vanderbilt Avenue bus. When he's not in the poolroom or doing homework, he can be found playing basketball and football, and enjoying radio and records. Robert is on the math team, the LaSalle Club, and the Student Council, where he guards the fourth floor lockers with his life after school. Robert also has a unique job at the annual play staged by the Catholic Guild for the Blind, which is run with blind and sighted actors: he is lighting director.



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Letters To The Editors

To the Editors:

At first glance at the November 17th issue of the Jamesonian, I noticed the cartoon picturing an apathetic audience at an afternoon basketball game. To some degree this was a true picture of many a basketball game, but to my knowledge it was not true in all aspects for the 1963-64 season. The writer of this editorial has completely failed to see the other side of the story portrayed in the cartoon.

A quote from the Loudspeaker stated, "We have learned that this year the cheerleaders with their new moderator, Bro. Charles Felix, have a few surprises in store, mainly in the form of pep rallies." Indeed, Joe Costa has a short memory. Last year the cheerleaders staged a pep rally the day before the Molloy game in the gym. Although this rally could not be considered the best, or even good, it must be realized that this was an impromptu affair, run by the cheerleaders, without much backing from the school administration. It must also be noted that last year there was no moderator for the cheerleaders. This then explains the ineffectiveness of the squad in regard to the acquisition of materials for cheerleading purposes. We also could not get anyone to speak for us when we needed help from the administration.

There are a number of strong sentences concerning the typical afternoon game fans. The answers to these are obvious. It must be that Joe Costa either was "dozing and half out of it" himself, or was a member of the "industrious guy" group, or perhaps did not even attend last year's games, for he is gravely mistaken. Granted that there are those who spend the games between their books and the court, but at least they had the spirit to come, not like many members of the "2:45 Club" who don't even bother to do that. The statements made about the cheerleaders were amazingly untrue. It is a fact that some periods during the games were highlighted by a lack of enthusiasm, but this is to be expected. At other times the gym was filled with the cheers, the clapping and the stomping of the cheerleaders and the participating audience.

I regard Joe Costa's statements concerning the lack of cheerleaders and the lack of enthusiasm as a completely false statement. There was never a game last season that had fewer than four cheerleaders present and yelling. This is certainly a sufficient number to get our side of the gym behind the team. I use the Molloy game again as an example. That night there were at least four cheerleaders in attendance along with a large number of seniors who showed up in spite of the fact that they had to report at 8:30 the next morning for College Entrance Exams.

As for the afternoon games, I again disagree about the lack of support from the cheerleaders. Joe Costa mentions a certain "loyal group" in his editorial. This group was comprised of the cheerleaders and a small number of seniors and underclassmen. But most important, it was the cheerleaders who were always present at the away games. Perhaps he is right in saying that we went to the St. Augustine game to see the girl cheerleaders, but he fails to mention the fact that we did cheer against them.

I do not wish to downgrade Joe Costa's purpose in this editorial, but I do wish to correct the many mistakes that he has made in making his point. I am in complete agreement with his appeal to support the cheerleaders in their attempts to keep up the spirit of the fans in spite of a losing effort on the court.

Jim Gillen
Class of '64

Thank you for enlightening myself and the rest of the school to the cheerleaders' side of the story. We will therefore give you an "A" for effort, but it was not the attempts of the cheerleaders that was questioned, but the results. I believe your statement, "Although this rally could not be considered the best, or even good . . ." sums up my point beautifully. I would also like to tell you that I know for a fact that the cheerleaders were not present at all games last year. And as far as cheering against the St. Augustine cheerleaders goes, all I can say is "bully" for you.

Joe Costa,
Sports Editor

To the Editors:

It is my opinion that the "Just in Jest" column of *The Jamesonian* was put there to provide light entertainment for the paper. However, the jokes this year have been so bad that I had to think twice before reading the sports page.

"Al McGill"
4A - 114

Jamesonian Takes Time, Work and Luck

Every time an editor of *The Jamesonian* is asked, "Why do you prepare for the next issue so early?" he usually replies that for every issue, the editors begin their laborious task with an editorial meeting. At this time, stories, editorials, and future plans are discussed. Now the fun really begins — trying to get a certain number of stories with the proper number of words and pictures to form an interesting page arrangement. Usually, four days elapse between the editorial meeting and the time when *The Jamesonian* "gets in the making" with assignments. On this day, all *Jamesonian* reporters are asked to report to our office to find out who or what they are to write about.

When their stories are written, they are handed to the proper page editor, who edits the story by rearranging the sentence structure and the length of the story to fit his needs. After this, everything is typed. Before any material is sent to the printer, however, it must first be copyread. Now, it is ready. Everything goes to the printer, and in a few days, it is sent back as galleys — long rows of typewritten matter.

We receive two identical sets of galleys. One set is copyread, and corrections are made on it; the other is cutup to be pasted on a dummy page. This dummy is arranged so that it looks just like the final page arrangement. The printer gets this dummy, along with the other galley page, makes the necessary corrections, and then lays the print as it was arranged on the dummy.

Just about now, you ask, "Where are the pictures?" They were taken and sent to be made into cuts. A cut is a block of wood, glued to a plate of zinc which has been engraved so as to produce the exact duplicate of the picture. Now, the cuts are laid into place, and we have a proof. This is exactly like *The Jamesonian* as you know it. On this proof, any last minute changes and corrections are made. When these are sent back, the corrections are made, and the paper is printed. Feel confused?

STUDENT MIND

Let's Dance

PAUL TAPOGNA

Since Freshmen year, I've noticed that the writer of this column usually expresses his own opinion. In regard to the dances held at Loughlin, I will now try to express not my views, but the opinions held by some Loughlinites, showing their particular reasons for not attending dances.

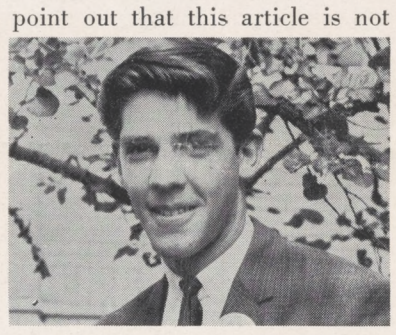
At lunch, you might turn to your friend who is always in trouble, both in school and in his neighborhood, and ask timidly, "Are you going to the dance today?" He'll usually answer with a tone of annoyance, "I've got better things to do!" Also, there is the type who stays home when dances "roll around" because he "can't get a girl."

These are the strongest types of senseless dance absentees. I would now like to address myself to each group.

Concerning the first type, I direct my words to his followers because I think they have the wrong type of leader. His idea of loyalty has been altered because he has had trouble with the faculty and now has no interest for anything to do with school. This five-year old mentality of breaking rules and avoiding girls is ridiculous and insane.

The other group should turn to the afternoon dances for the solution to their problems, because the purpose of these dances is for Loughlinites to meet girls. If you can't seem to contact a girl for a Prom or other night dances, the afternoon dances provide the opportunity.

In conclusion, I would like to point out that this article is not saying you are not a man until you go to a dance, or that everyone should trade his best friend for a dancing partner, or that the afternoon dances are the answer to your problems with the opposite sex; the purpose of this article is simply to get the preceding categories of people to evaluate the reasons that keep them from having a good time.



BROTHER MICHAEL CELEBRATES TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Brother Brendan Michael celebrated his Silver Jubilee as a Christian Brother on Saturday, November 21. The Jubilee Mass and Banquet was held at Bishop Loughlin Memorial High School at 10:30 a.m., where the relatives and friends of Brother Michael, along with his fellow Brothers, gathered to honor the Reverend Jubilarian. At the meal, Brother C. Peter acted as Master of Ceremonies, and Brother Basil Stephen presented a talk of appreciation.

A New Yorker by birth, Brother Brendan Michael first met the Brothers in 1929 when his family moved to Holy Name Parish, and almost immediately decided that his vocation would be found in the habit of the Christian Brother.

Before journeying to Barrytown to complete his high school years, Brother had entered "Old Two Street" as a member of the last freshmen class to be admitted. In 1944 he graduated from Catholic University with a B.S. in physics, and his first teaching assignment took him to LaSalle Institute in Troy, New York. Following two years at Troy, Brother was assigned to Lincoln Hall for two years, two and a half years at St. Raphael's Pawtucket, and again back to Troy for six months. After one year at De LaSalle Collegiate in Detroit, Brother

Bro. Michael observes students perform an experiment.

Brendan Michael became a member of the faculty at Bishop Loughlin where he has resided for the past thirteen years. While at Loughlin he has contributed much time and effort to the school. Besides teaching, Brother ran the Auxiliary for four years, coached the swimming, handball, and tennis teams, and his name has become synonymous with the words "physics lab" and "electric shocks."

Brother's own education has been a continuous story of grants and earned degrees. When receiving his Masters Degree at Manhattan College, he accepted grants from General Electric and the National Science Foundation which enabled him to earn another M.S. from Union College in Schenectady. An Esso Oil grant brought him to N.Y.U., and later he returned to Manhattan with another National Science Foundation grant. Presently, Brother is the President of the Catholic Science Council of the Brooklyn Diocese.

As January concludes, Brother Michael will leave for the American Second Novitiate in Santa Fe, New Mexico to begin a hundred day retreat.

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

By Father McGinness

Certainly, the predominant thought in the mind of every true Christian on Christmas morning should be one of profound heartfelt gratitude to a most merciful God who has been so good to us. Had the human race ever done anything to merit such infinite love and condescension? Rather, would it seem that we had done everything to earn God's wrath. So, on this morning we read and listen to the words of St. Paul; but is this all we do? Are they mere words? Are the thoughts that arise in our mind mere thoughts? Is this grace of God, the greatest gift mankind will ever receive, His Son, something that will be remembered for 24 hours and then put away for another 365 days?

Does Christ come to us but once a year, or do we firmly believe—and not out of mere sentimentality or emotion—that Christ is born again daily on our altars each day of the year? Let us at this time of the year dwell on His Coming, and let us realize that His Coming is not to be isolated to a mere 24 hour period, but that this period is to extend throughout the year. This realization will only become a conviction in our lives when we receive Him frequently in our parish. In this way will Christ truly live in us. In this way Christmas will no longer be looked upon as occurring but once a year, but rather daily as the God-Man is brought to the world by us, the Children of God.

Father McGinness offers Mass.

Letters To The Editors

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To the Editors:

I am writing to ask why the Photography Club was shown in the last issue of the *Jamesonian* wearing cheerleader uniforms. As cheerleaders, we practice twice a week and have poured time and effort into extra sessions, learning new cheers and developing new routines.

I think that we should receive a little more recognition from the paper and should be allowed to model our own uniforms this issue.

Robert Gigante
4A - 105

This is a misunderstanding on the part of the cheerleaders. The uniforms shown are items that will be placed on sale to all Loughlinites, and are not the official uniforms of this year's cheerleading squad. The uniforms shown were created for the purpose of increasing school spirit and were paid for outside of the cheerleader budget.

—The Editors

VOICE OF LOUGHLIN

Question?

Do you consider a half hour adequate time to eat lunch?

A. Concerning the half hour lunch periods, I feel that they are too short. This especially holds true for the first and second lunch periods, when the entire Freshmen, Sophomore, and Junior Classes eat lunch. The solution would be to extend the lunch periods ten mintues, and to make up for the lost time by beginning classes ten minutes earlier in the morning.

John Buckley
4A - 105

A. Yes. It takes a person five to ten minutes to eat his lunch. The time-killer is the Brother who waits twenty minutes to make the announcements. He can do this while the classes are eating. If this is done, there is more time after lunch to study or play handball, or just plain relax.

Peter Venckunas
2A - 216

A. In my estimation, half-hour lunch periods are quite sufficient. The problem is, that the whistle is blown so early, in actuality we only have twenty minute lunch periods.

Vincent Schiavelli
3A - 316

A. I think that thirty minutes is long enough to eat lunch, if we had thirty minutes! But, because of the announcements and waiting on the long lines, a person generally has only fifteen minutes for lunch. Also, some teachers keep their pupils in class after the second bell rings. This cuts down on a person's lunch time. More efficient lunch and candy counters, along with proper dismissal of the students after their class ends, would somewhat remedy the situation.

Robert Desiano
4A - 117

A. No! I think we should have a 45 minute lunch period. If we can spend forty-five minutes in class for every subject, I don't see why we can't have an equal amount of time to eat.

Fred Schuman
2A - 216

Massive Sweep By Lions In Brothers' Meet

by Charlie O'Donnell

Loughlin's cross-country squad finished its season with fine showings in their last few meets, and has shown a definite improvement.

The Brooklyn-Long Island Sectional Championships were held at Van Cortlandt Park, November 1. Bob Murray, a junior, took seventh place with a 13:45 clocking for the two and a half mile course. Al Cockburn, Jim Kenny, Len Nicholson and Charlie O'Donnell also scored for the Loughlin harriers. The team finished sixth in this meet.

Murray Nears Record

Bob Murray ran a terrific time of 13:39 at the City Championships, November 7. This speed was just one second off the school record set by Jim Reyonlds two years ago. O'Donnell, Cockburn, Kenny, Nicholson, and Frank Gucciardo also scored for the Lions. Loughlin finished thirteenth of thirty-two schools competing. In the freshman race, Ed Amato and Ernie Ferran both broke the old school mark for the one and one quarter mile course of 6:35, set by Charlie McGuire four years ago. Amato established the new record of 6:29, while Ferran hit the tape in 6:34.

Big Victory

Loughlin runners copped medals left and right at the meet for Christian Brothers' schools in the metropolitan area, November 11, at Van Cortlandt Park. Every member of the varsity and J.V. teams won medals while the Frosh took five medals. In the varsity race, Al Cockburn led the team, placing third with a time of 14:07. Jim Kenny was ninth with 14:33; Charlie O'Donnell eleventh with 14:38. Bob Murray was twelfth, clocked at 14:40; Len Nicholson, fifteenth; Ed Ballard eighteenth and Frank Gucciardo twenty-second. In the J.V. division, Mickey Wilson garnered a gold medal, crossing the finish line with a fine time of 14:39. Henry Weitner placed third; William Pisrack, fifth; Gene Zanback, sixth; John Carrol, thirteenth; Greg Lame, fifteenth; George Napoleone, twentieth, and Billy McCarthy finished twenty-second for the team. It took Ed Amato just four days to break his own record for the Freshmen course. Ed lowered the record from 6:29 to 6:27 in winning the race. Seventh place was taken by Ernie Ferran as he clocked a time of 6:39. Other Frosh medal winners were John O'Conner, Mike McBride, and Frank Tuminello.

Next on the agenda for our "hill and dalers" will be a number of "Dual Meets." In comparison to the cross-country teams of previous years, a substantial improvement is noticeable.

The Freshman team has gathered a total of fourteen medals as compared to one secured last season. Another striking comparison is in regard to the actual times. The time of the twenty-second man on this year's squad is equal to the time of the seventh man on last year's team.

Spellman Opens Indoor Season

The indoor season started November 21, with the Cardinal Spellman Relays. This meet was composed of a number of freshmen events and a varsity ten mile relay. Loughlin has always been strong in the sprints, and this year is no exception. With a little help from the distance men, we can expect a highly successful season.

Tom Hanson, Roy Haviland, Matt Loscialle and Gene Zambarda go through practice sprint as Bill Caputo checks the times.

LOUDSPEAKER

JOE COSTA

In an earlier issue we predicted that the basketball team would take the Brooklyn Division and gain a playoff berth. We still believe this and will now give our reasons.

Reason number one is that the league is a relatively weak one. Although this doesn't say much for the team, we must admit this is the main reason. Besides St. John's Prep, there is not one team that definitely poses a threat; some may say Loughlin doesn't either. There are always dark horses though, and as possible surprises we would pick: Brooklyn Prep, which is always tough, and Bishop Ford, which has shown well in scrimmages.

The second reason, of course, is the team itself. Unlike other Lion squads, this team is well-balanced. Its future will rest not on any one player as in previous years, but on the whole team. This is a definite advantage in our minds. When Wolters was on the team, the game usually went the way Willie did. If he was "on", the team won; if not, we had to struggle. We cite as an example the Molloy game at Madison Square Garden two years ago, not to mention what happened three years ago when Wolters developed tonsilitis.

In the backcourt we have: Gillen, Horstmann, and McCarthy. Each of these three can do the job. All have good shots and give more depth to the backcourt. Mullin, Romansic, Dunne, and Vincent should see most of the action up front.

The team has overcome two lapses which have plagued us in recent years—poor defense and the tendency to fold under any kind of a press. They seemed to overcome the defensive lapses in the scrimmages by heads-up play and proved that they could operate under a press, as evidenced by their performance at the Boys High game.

A question foremost in the minds of everyone is: What about Mullin? This is probably because he is the "big man," and they are always the "centers of attraction." We must admit we had our doubts, but the way he has performed in the scrimmages so far has proven he can handle the job. For a player new to Varsity ball, he has handled himself exceptionally well, even against Lew Alcindor.

We will now get away from basketball for a while and give the Track Team a plug. As mentioned in the Track story, the squad will compete in dual meets. These meets will be played against teams from Brooklyn on our outdoor track in the schoolyard. The school that does the best in these dual meets will become Brooklyn Champs. Since these contests will be held right in our backyard, we can't see any reason why they should not be attended.

Before we finish, we will make one more prediction. The long winning streak of Power Memorial Academy will be broken this year. In fact we wouldn't be surprised if they are defeated before this issue comes out. Although Alcindor is the top high school player in the country, the team as a whole does not look like the number one contingent in the nation.

Netmen Undefeated In Practice Mike Piellusch All-Star

by Charlie Sulc

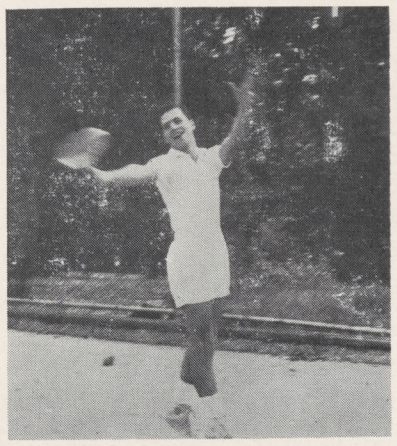
With the end of the fall tennis season, it is easy to see that this is going to be a successful year for the Loughlin netmen. The team has trounced all opposition and has adjusted itself very well to their new moderator, Brother Brendan Michael.

The team is very young with only a few seniors; the remaining stalwarts consist of juniors and sophomores. The spring league will see seniors Pete Ciaccia and Mike Piellusch leading the way in the singles, with Ray Kaats and Kevin McGilloway in the doubles.

Senior Mike Piellusch was voted to the All-Brooklyn CHSAA team last spring in his first year of Varsity tennis at Loughlin. He will be counted on heavily this season.

Other outstanding members of the squad are: Vin O'Donohue, and sophomores Louie and Tony Girolamo, who will get their first taste of varsity competition this spring.

Although the team did not practice until November as was originally planned, they were very sharp in their matches, and easily overcame all opposition. Two important meets, against Chaminade and Holy Cross, never materialized. Chaminade didn't have their team organized, and Holy Cross for some reason backed out. The Lion netmen are in good shape, as they prepare to start their quest for the City Championship, which has eluded them for the past three years.



Pete Ciaccia, Lion captain is caught off guard.

Handball Team Has High Hopes

by Kevin Smith

According to Brother Lawrence Cormac, the Loughlin handball team is looking forward to an exceptionally fine season. Although the league does not begin until early April, the team has been vigorously practicing in order to cut down the number of members and to ready the starters.

Cathedral Again Rough

It has also been announced that practice would resume at McCarron Park in March, in order to prepare for a hard fought season. Two especially tough teams will probably be St. Francis Prep and Cathedral Prep. Other schools who will be played are: Bishop Reilly, Monsignor McClancy, Most Holy Trinity, Brooklyn Prep, and St. John's Prep.

Of the three singles positions which are open, there are four top contenders: John Puccio, Donald Anthony, Joseph Sanchez, and Jessie Esposito. Competing for the doubles spots are: John Hoenigmann, Scott Anderson, Denis Appleyard, John Geary, Den Mondolino, and Al Jacobs.

Loughlin's Frosh Aquamen Surprise St. John's Prep

by Jim O'Neill

The Freshmen Swimming Team has compiled a 3-2 record thus far. After defeating Nazareth, the aquamen defeated Bishop Ford, 52-25; lost to St. Francis Prep by six, were beaten by Brooklyn Prep, the defending Frosh City Champs, 44-33, and pulled a big upset against St. John's by a score of 42-35.

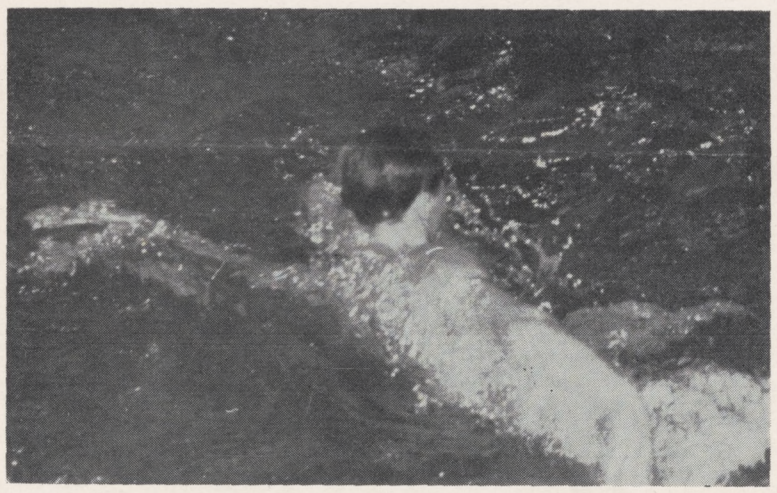
Turn Back "Little Redmen"

Friday, November 13, the Frosh played St. John's who was one of the two undefeated teams. Each team had thirty-five points going into the final event, the 160 yard freestyle relay. The relay team of Adam Castro, Bob Klepacki, Bruce Bernhardt and John Rozek proved to be too much for the "Little Redmen." Bernhardt ran his streak to five consecutive victories in the 100 yard freestyle. Other victories were turned in by Adam Castro, John Spellman, Rick Rennard and Trevor Dunwell. Brother Adrian was very pleased with this victory. Coach Harry Benvenuto said, "No one had given us much of a chance in this meet; this seems to make the league wide-open again."

Need Experience

Coach Benvenuto is proud of his swimmers this season; he feels he has the best Freshmen team since 1960. We have the potential but lack experience and polish. None of our boys have been in organized competion before except John Rozek. Other teams such as St. Francis and Brooklyn Prep, succeed in getting boys from swim clubs and YMCA's all over the city. These fellows have already had much experience. Our boys have never had this training until now, and will probably improve.

The team is made up of freestylers: Bruce Bernhardt, Adam Castro, Bob Klepacki, John Rozek and Joe D'Anna. The divers are Jim Blackmore and Tony Beninati. In the breaststroke and butterfly, we have Miro Kucharski, Trevor Dunwell, Rick Rennard and Glenn Williams. The rest of the team is rounded out by Sal De Fillippo, Den Quinn, George Geoghagen and Rich Janssen. Moderator Brother Adrian sees this squad as 1968 CHSAA Varsity Champs.



Splash!, is all we can come up with for this one.

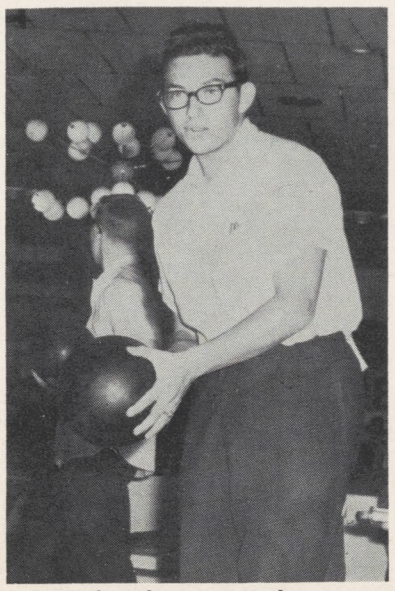
Pete Capella Leads Varsity Keglers With 174 Average

by Jim Morandi

With five matches under their belts, the Loughlin Varsity Bowling Team has compiled a 10-5 won-lost record. The team has thus far competed against: St. Francis, Xaverian, Bishop Ford, St. Leonard's and St. Augustine.

Capella Top Man

The individual averages to this date are: Pete Capella 174, John Iraggi 167, Mike Sommer 166, Captain Bob Sypowicz 159, Al Angotti 157, Vin Galgano 156, and Andy Kiefhaber 146. Upcoming matches for the Lions will be against Trinity and the all-important one against St. John's Prep.



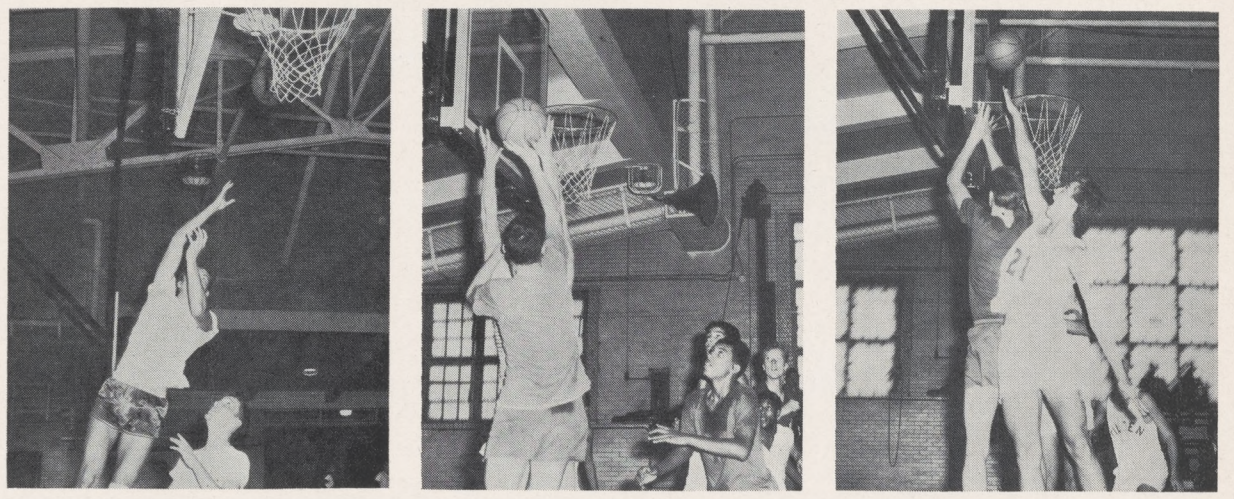
J.V. bowler Joe Peluso gets set for take-off.

Murray Leads J.V.

The Junior Varsity, paced by Charlie Murray and his 169 average, have compiled a record of 11-4, against the J.V.'s of the teams the Varsity played. Brother Jerome said that the spirit on both teams is fine and with Capella and Murray leading the way, Loughlinites can once again look forward to seeing Loughlin in the city playoffs.

Since there is not enough space to review each meet, we will do only one, the St. Augustine encounter. In this match Loughlin took all three points. The Lions took the first game 873-736, the second 812-734, and the overall match 1685-1470. Iraggi had the high game 194, and the high total 364. Other members who played were Sypowicz 308, Capella 337, Angotti 334, and Sommer 342.

Cagers Engage In Scrimmages Mullins, Gillen, Vincent Star



Above left: Jack Romansic goes high to get off shot against Bill Mullin in practice. Above middle: Harry Lynch beats Tilden defender to ball as Ed Vincent moves in. Above right: Bill Mullin chalks up two points also against Tilden.

This year's Varsity Basketball Team has almost completed its scrimmage season. The old adage "it's not whether you win or lose, but how you play the game," describes scrimmages just right. They serve as a period when the coach can observe his players under fire, and experiment without any harm being done. The lengths of the games vary from four quarters to sometimes even seven. Loughlin's actual record for four quarters is 2-6.

The first opponent for the Lions was Lincoln High School. Lincoln, the home team, won. Our club was led by senior George Gillen and juniors Harry Lynch and Bill Mullin. Cornerman Ed Vincent missed the game due to an ailment.

The Lions opened their 64-65 season at home, November 4, against Boys High. Starting for Loughlin were George Gillen, Ed Vincent, Jack Romansic, Joe McCarthy and Bill Mullin. Boys downed Loughlin 68-43; however, in this game the Lions withstood Boys tough press. The poor showing from the floor proved to be the team's undoing. Mullin led the scoring with fourteen points; Gillen had thirteen.

First Win

Loughlin entertained Tilden High School in their second home game, November 6. In a contest that lasted four quarters, the Loughlin squad won by one point. The fine ball control of senior Jack Horstmann and junior Harry Lynch highlighted this encounter.

Biggest Victory Margin

For their next game, the Lions traveled to Midwood High School. The team returned victorious by a score of 64-32, its largest victory margin yet. Lynch was high with 19, and Vincent followed with 16.

Erasmus was supposed to scrimmage the Lions at Loughlin November 11, but a mix up in dates cancelled this game.

November 13 saw the Lions at home against Rice High School, number two team to Power in the Manhattan division. The team from Rice looked as if it were ready to begin its season. Their squad was cut down to only ten players. The Lions were outclassed from the start; the team from Rice was taller and better trained. The score at the end of four was 85-44, at the end of seven, 130-71. All thirteen members of the Loughlin squad played; thus, the score doesn't accurately show the potential of the team. Senior Joe McCarthy led the scorers with 14 points; senior Ed Vincent 13, junior Bill Mullin 12, and senior Jack Romansic 6.

John Adams High defeated Loughlin, 80-68, November 16, at Adams. George Gillen was high for the Lions with 22 points; Bill Mullin had 12; Joe McCarthy also had 12; Ed Vincent 9, and Jack Romansic, 6.

Next the cagers traveled to Manhattan to meet Power Memorial, November 18. After a poor showing in the first two quarters, 20-13, and 25-7, the team settled down and outplayed Power for the next four quarters 45-39. The final score was 84-65. All-American Lew Alcindor played about four quarters scoring about 30 points. Loughlin started a different five this game; senior Joe Dunne joined Mullin, Vincent and McCarthy in the starting lineup. George Gillen had 16 points to top the Loughlin scorers; Jack Horstmann came off the bench and chipped in 14, and Joe McCarthy had 12. Bill Mullin, who was guarded by Alcindor, scored 8. It should be noted that Alcindor scored more than half of his points on jams from right under the basket.

The last game to be reported on was November 19, against All Hallows High. Coach Tedesco started the same five. It was a very closely contested game with Loughlin taking two quarters and All Hallows two. The final score was 63-61 in favor of the Gaels. A fifth quarter was played by the "subs" of both team; the Gaels came out on top 22-11. Leading the scoring was Jack Romansic, who played less than three quarters. He threw in his last two points, 15 and 16 at the buzzer from about half-court. Mullin, Vincent, and Gillen had 11. Jack Horstmann again sparked the team by coming off the bench and scoring eight points.

The Junior Varsity team has rolled up a 3-2 record to this date. They have played: Regis, Brooklyn Tech, Mater Christi, La Salle, and All Hallows. Bill Walsh and Frank Cavallo have been leading the scorers. Juan Gordon, a freshman, was promoted to the J.V. and has seen much action.

The Freshman team opened up its scrimmage season by nipping Mater Christi in its first two games. Since it is not a tall squad, it will have to utilize its speed. Coach Lynch describes his club as a "scrappy group with a lot of hustle and desire." Some outstanding players are Sefcik, Ferraro, Stukes, and Peschler.

He'd Rather Switch

Benilde Club Conducts Annual Mission Drives

The Benilde Club once again commenced its activities with its annual food drive.

November 16 marked the membership drive, during which a representative of the Benilde Club discussed the organization with each of the freshman classes, in its attempt to gain additional members.

Benilde members take inventory of canned goods.

Following the food drive was the clothing drive which ended on November 26. The proceeds were forwarded to the Bishop's Relief Fund, and then to the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The collection of canned food was aimed to aid the old age home of the Sisters of the Sick Poor. The goal was to have each student contribute at least one can of food.

Presently, the Benilde Club is sponsoring the Christmas raffle. The winners of this raffle will be announced at the Christmas assembly. Directed by the officers of the Benilde Club, it is considered to be its most important drive. Also under way is the Christmas card drive, the results of which will be sent to the missions in Africa.

In the future, the organization plans to have three more drives, including a stamp drive and two others which have not yet been decided upon.

In keeping with the aim of encouraging vocations through good works and prayers, the members of the Benilde Club, under their moderator, Brother Basil Stephen, Principal, organize each year to aid the missions and charity workers.

Science Foundations Sponsor Loughlinites

The National Science Foundation is sponsoring Gerard Juliano and Edward Pickett, both of 116, in extra-curricular courses at the Community College of Brooklyn. Any student who is presently in the tenth, eleventh or twelfth grade in any school throughout the United States was eligible to apply. The basis for selection was primarily on scholastic achievement. Each of the four City colleges offered such a curriculum.

Edward will study number theory for the first half of the course, while Gerard will study computer science. For the second half of the course, these boys will switch with each other. Every third session, a lecture is provided on related subjects.

Goal Of The Foundation

The National Science Foundation is federally financed. Its purpose is to promote the study of science and mathematics as a life's profession by any qualified student. The Foundation offers programs during the school year and the summer months.

American Cancer Society

The American Cancer Society sponsored one day lectures on medicine. Tours of hospital labs and explanation of modern medical therapy were part of this program. James Sullivan, Joseph Saur and Stephen Bradicich were the recipients of the program.

White Party Sweeps Junior Elections

Victory for Kevin Smith of 316 and the White Party was announced on the public address system by Brother Denis, November 18.

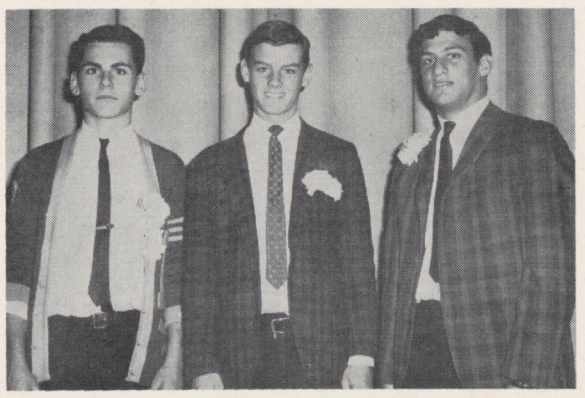
The summit of the elections, which were officiated the Friday before, was a rally in the auditorium, November 17, attended by the entire Junior class. It was here that Mr. Cochrane explained the importance of the elections and introduced the candidates for office of the Red, White, and Blue Parties. Also present was the provincial of all Long Island and New England, Brother Joseph, who was the guest speaker. The highpoint of the rally was the presentation of the party platforms.

Blue Party

From 306 and on the Blue ticket for president was David McGrath, who advocated a stronger voice for the Juniors in the Student Congress, a school outing of the Juniors, a Junior Advisory Board and the Junior support of Senior activities. Also running for the Blue ticket were Edward Gillespie, vice-president; Frank Cheswick, treasurer; and as secretary, Michael Torre.

Red Party

Caesar Lamonaca of the Red Party expressed approval of some of the Blue Party's ideas and added that there should be music in the cafeteria, and a boat ride to coincide with Bishop McDonnell's. Other candidates of the Red Party were Michael Caccioppo, vice-president; John Egan, treasurer, and Louis Biscotti, secretary.



The Junior presidential candidates, from left to right, are: D. McGrath, K. Smith, C. Lamonaca.

The White Party was last to present its ideas. Kevin Smith addressed the assembly and pointed out the difficulties that would arise during the school year.

Records at all Junior lunch periods and cooperation with the Senior administration about the boatride on the same day as McDonnell's bus trip to Rye constituted the White platform. The vice-president of the White Party is Raymond Barrio; treasurer, Michael Porto; and secretary, Thomas Massaro.

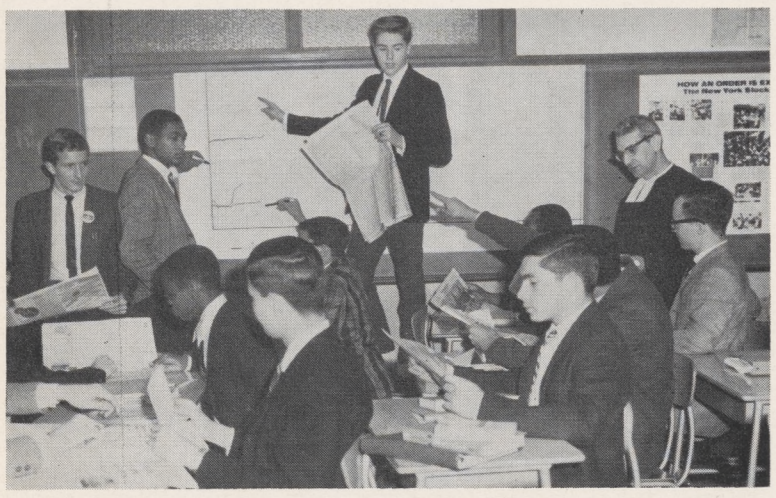
Seniors Win Commendation Awards In National Merit Competition

The results of the annual National Merit Qualifying Test have recently been released to all high schools throughout the country. In our school, twenty-one of our present seniors were awarded "Letters of Commendation" upon having placed within the top two percent of all secondary school students. Participating students numbered approximately 38,000.

The winners, first row: T. Currie, J. Sullivan, S. Bradicich, C. Marshall, J. Higgins, A. Hall. Second row: P. Stumpf, A. D'Angelo, M. McManus, H. Ciapas, V. Spinelli, A. Chini. Third row: E. Pickett, R. Johnson, A. Amodeo, J. Romansic.

Brother Basil Stephen announced and awarded twenty of the winners with the letters of commendation, in a brief ceremony. The late Vincent Jacina, who died in a subway accident last summer, was also a winner.

These men have also received letters from several colleges. These letters served a dual purpose: one inviting them to make an early application to the respective college, and another as a means of congratulations.



Under the direction of Brother Charles Felix, the 10:15 bookkeeping class mark off the progress of their stocks. (Fotochrome and Papercraft).

Father McGinness Conducts Annual Retreat For Students

The annual retreat, conducted by Father McGinness and Father Coogan, was held this year from November 23 through November 25.

The Retreat Day

The retreat day included morning prayers, followed by talks from the presiding priests.

The talks for the seniors were held in the gym, while underclassmen attended their talks in the auditorium. Mass was celebrated in the auditorium every morning for the three days of retreat. Throughout the day, a number of priests were present to hear confessions and to give advice to anyone who requested it.

The Topics Discussed

The main topics were: our purpose in life, the necessity of a proper education and a wise choice of vocation; purity and the way a Christian man should conduct himself, and confession. These topics were stressed, since each would be a deciding factor if a person wishes to obtain his goal in life.

This year, a pro and con discussion on the topic of "teenagers" was added to the curriculum. Father McGinness upheld the adult viewpoint of teenagers, while Father Coogan defended the contemporary adolescent.

According to Father McGinness, the purpose of the retreat is: ". . . to make students realize their relationship to God; to be able to make a decision for Christ."

Requiescant In Pace

The *Jamesonian* on the behalf of the student body extends its deepest sympathy to Denis Appleyard on the death of his brother, to Charles Murray on the death of his mother and to Paul Sabatella on the death of his grandfather.

Faculty Focus

Bro. Berard Richard

John Rodriguez

Over the last two years, Loughlin has seen a new influx of lay teachers and Brothers. Such a new addition is this month's personality, Brother Berard Richard, who came to Loughlin last year.

Being a native of Brooklyn, Brother received his education at Visitation Grammer School and later at St. Augustine High School. Upon graduation, he entered the Christian Brothers and went to Barrytown, New York. Brother Richard, who teaches English to sophomores and juniors, obtained his B.A. degree in English from St. John's University after having transferred from Catholic University in Washington, D. C., and is presently studying for his M.A. degree in English at C.U.

His first teaching assignment was at Bishop Bradley High School in Manchester, New Hampshire, where he was the tennis coach, as well as the moderator of the Legion of Mary until 1963 when he was transferred to Loughlin.

During his two years at Loughlin, Brother Richard has not only been the moderator of the orchestra, but also the founder and director of the Dance Band. Brother also contributed his musical talents to last year's Christmas show by playing the trumpet with an improvised group of musicians in one of the highlights of the show.

Although much of Brother's time is consumed by the works of being a teacher, he has many hobbies which he likes to enjoy in his spare time. Among these are reading, painting, listening to music, and playing the piano or the trumpet. He also likes to attend the theater and the opera whenever he has the opportunity. Brother is also interested in sports, of which tennis is his favorite. Brother is in addition a consultant for the Legion of Decency.

Brother Richard leads the singing at First Friday Mass.